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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding Related to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 and Integrated Resource Plans for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC
Docket No. 2019-224-E and Docket No. 2019-225-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please allow this to serve as notification that the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the Petition for Reconsideration ("Petition") submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together, the "Companies") on July 30, 2021. In the Petition, the Companies requested the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") reconsider the Directive issued on July 21, 2021, requiring the Companies file their annual Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") update on or before December 6, 2021.

The Companies requested that the Commission hold in abeyance the Companies' obligation to file the update to their IRPs until no earlier than sixty (60) days following the issuance of an Order accepting their modified IRPs. According to the Companies, this will allow the Companies a minimally reasonable amount of time to prepare a thorough annual updates to accepted IRPs.

ORS does not object to the relief sought in the Petition as it will allow the Companies to file their modified IRPs, and consideration of the modified IRPs, prior to requiring annual IRP updates be filed with the Commission.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

cc: All Parties of Record (via electronic mail)
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